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> RE: Permit Application Review Status Paraho Oil Shale Project ACT/047/003 Uintah County, Utah

Dear Bob:

This is to inform you of the status of Paraho's Oil Shale Project permit application review. I must apologize again for the Division's delay in reviewing Paraho's Mining and reclamation plan, but as we have discussed previously, the Division's workload is substantial and several emergency situations have arisen to further complicate matters.

We have progressed through most of the application, with the exception of the hydrologic sections which are currently being reviewed this week. Hopefully, we will be able to assemble all of the staff comments next week and have our concerns to you during the week of August 16th.

We understand your need to begin some geotechnical work this fall and we will make every effort toward realizing that necessity while proceeding with the review process as rapidly as possible.

Your cooperation and patience thus far has been greatly appreciated. Please keep in touch and if you have any questions let us know.

Sincerely,

JAMES W. SMITH, JR. COORDINATOR OF MINED LAND DEVELOPMENT

cc: Wayne Hedberg

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